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"Building a rapport with the local people is one of the pillars of our mission," Chumbler said. "As we build a better goodwill with the local people, they are less likely to become terrorists or victims of poverty."

John Nordmeyer of Life International and Dr. Robert Thiel of the Red Sea Mission are aiding in distributing the items within the Arhiba district.

Life International and the Red Sea Mission are both creditable organizations dedicated to

alleviating some of the burdens plaguing those in this area, according to Chumbler.

"Given the conditions the people of Arhiba endure, it's my fervent hope that these supplies will bring at least a small ray of hope to them," Chumbler said.

It's a challenge to meet the near overwhelming needs of everybody living in Arhiba, said Nordmeyer. However, with the help of programs like Project Handclasp, the small steps will go a long way in relieving the poverty of the area.

"This is hands down the most rewarding work I have ever done," Chumbler said. "The

only downside is the magnitude of the need versus the limited resources available."

As part of Project Handclasp, the next large delivery will be to the Dar El Hanan Women's Clinic once RED HORSE refurbishes it. The clinic is within a mile of the Arhiba district

Anyone looking to participate in Project Handclasp or other donation distributions should contact Chumbler at 824-2201 or at ChumblerME@hoa.centcom.mil.

For more information about Project Handclasp, log onto the official Navy Web site at http://www.sd.fisc.navy.mil/handclasp.



Personal items belonging to Capt. Seth Michaud were displayed at a memorial Mass for the fallen Marine July 11, 2003 at St. Michael Church in Hudson, Mass. The 27 year-old Hudson native, died June 22, 2003, while serving with Combined Joint Task Force-Horn of Africa.

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"As the proud father of his son, and dedicated husband to his bride, he sacrificed much to ensure we deployed with the gear we needed at the expense of family time in the days leading up to the deployment one year ago. He set the bar for endurance setting up spaces, getting us wired, procuring the things we were not smart enough to ask for," said Pridgen. "Captain Michaud remained faithful to his God, the Corps and his family to the end as his last concerns and words were of his Marines and his

wife and son. He was surrounded that day by those who remained faithful through and through as demonstrated by the selfless acts of heroism to save fellow Marines and sailors severely injured by the explosions.

"These are the kind of people in our midst. These are the people who do this job with little fanfare, with no other satisfaction than to know the job is done well and Marines are taking care of their own," Pridgen continued.

"May we never forget him, his sacrifice, nor the critical role he, or we for that matter, play in making the world a safer place to live," Pridgen said.

Enduring Freedom Chapel Weekly Worship Schedule

Sunday:

8 -8:50 a.m.	Catholic confessions are heard*
9 a.m.	Catholic Mass
10:30 a.m.	Protestant Evangelical Service
2:30 p.m.	Latter Day Saints Service
5 p.m.	Gospel Worship Service
8 p.m.	Praise & Worship Service

Monday:

Noon	Catholic Mass
6:30 p.m.	Praise and Worship Rehearsal
8 p.m	Prayer Meeting

Tuesday:

Noon	Catholic Mass
6:15 p.m.	Catholic Choir Rehearsal
7:30 p.m.	Joshua/Judges Bible Study

Wednesday:

6:30 a.m.	Catholic Mass
11:30 a.m.	Protestant Holy Communion Service
6 p.m.	"Basic Christian Beliefs" Bible Study

Thursday:

Noon	Catholic Mass
6:30 p.m.	Praise and Worship Rehearsal
8 p.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous

Friday:

Noon	Catholic Mass
6:15 p.m.	Catholic Choir Rehearsal
7:30 p.m.	Enduring Freedom Bible Fellowship

Saturday:

5:45-6:10 p.m. Catholic confessions are heard* 6:15 p.m. Catholic Mass (Fulfills Sun. obligation)

* Catholic confessions are heard at the times listed above or by appointments by calling 824-2360 or 824-4925, and will take place in the Blessed Sacrament Room offered behind the screen or face to face.